

American War Veterans Oral History Program: H.R. 5212, amended, to direct the American Folklife Center at the Library of Congress to establish a program to collect video and audio recordings of personal histories and testimonials of American war veterans; **Pages H8721–24**

Committee Election: The House agreed to H. Res. 608, electing Representative Martinez to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure and Representative Wilson to the Committee on Armed Services. **Page H8728**

Recess: The House recessed at 10 p.m. and reconvened at 11:17 p.m. **Page H8734**

Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appear on pages H8626–27 and H8663.

Amendments: Amendment ordered printed pursuant to the rule appears on pages H8736–41.

Quorum Calls Votes: Four yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H8648–49, H8657, H8658, and H8662–63. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 11:18 p.m.

Committee Meetings

IRS—ELECTRONIC TAX ADMINISTRATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service and General Government held a hearing on IRS-Electronic Tax Administration. Testimony was heard from Charles Rossotti, Director, IRS, Department of the Treasury; and public witnesses.

FARM CREDIT ADMINISTRATION'S NATIONAL CHARTER INITIATIVE

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Held a hearing on the Farm Credit Administration's National Charter Initiative. Testimony was heard from Michael M. Reyna, Chairman and CEO, Farm Credit Administration; and public witnesses.

EPA—ROLE OF OMBUDSMAN ADDRESSING CONCERNS OF LOCAL COMMUNITIES

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Finance and Hazardous Materials and the Subcommittee on Health and Environment held a joint hearing on the Role of the EPA Ombudsman in Addressing Concerns of Local Communities. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the EPA: Robert Martin, Ombudsman; Tim Fields, Assistant Administrator, Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response; and public witnesses.

COUNTERFEIT BULK DRUGS

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on counterfeit bulk drugs and related concerns. Testimony was heard from Jane E. Henney, M.D., Commissioner, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services; Raymond Kelly, Commissioner, U.S. Customs Service, Department of the Treasury; Patricia L. Maher, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Civil Division, Department of Justice; and a public witness.

INJURED FEDERAL WORKERS

Committee on Education and the Workforce, Subcommittee on Workforce Protections held a hearing on Injured Federal Workers on Hold: Customer Communications at DOL's Office of Workers' Compensation Programs. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Labor: Shelby Hallmark, Acting Director, Office of Workers' Compensation Programs, Employment Standards Administration; and Patricia A. Dalton, Acting Inspector General; Michael Brostek, Director, Tax Administration and Justice, GAO.

ANTHRAX VACCINE IMMUNIZATION PROGRAM

Committee on Government Reform: Held a hearing on the Anthrax Vaccine Immunization Program—What Have We Learned? Testimony was heard from Representative Metcalf; Mark Elengold, Deputy Director, Operations, FDA's Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research, Department of Health and Human Services; the following officials of the Department of Defense: Charles Cragin, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Reserve Affairs; Col. Arthur Friedlander, USA, Senior Military Scientist, Medical Branch, Institute of Infectious Diseases; Jarrett Clinton, Acting Assistant Secretary, Health Affairs; Anna Johnson-Winegar, Deputy Assistant to the Secretary (Chemical-Biological Defense); and Senior Airman Thomas J. Collosimo, USAF; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on International Relations: Ordered reported, as amended, H. Res. 596, calling upon the President to ensure that the foreign policy of the United States reflects appropriate understanding and sensitivity concerning issues related to human rights, ethnic cleansing, and genocide documented in the United States record relating to the Armenian Genocide.

The Committee also favorably considered the following measures and adopted a motion urging the Chairman to request that they be considered on the Suspension Calendar; H. Res. 577, amended, to honor the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) for its role as a protector of the

world's refugees, to celebrate UNHCR's 50th anniversary, and to praise the High Commissioner Sadako Ogata for her work with UNHCR for the past ten years; H. Con. Res. 397, amended, voicing concern about serious violations of human rights and fundamental freedoms in the most states of Central Asia, including substantial noncompliance with their Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE) commitments on democratization and the holding of free and fair elections; S. 2682, to authorize the Broadcasting Board of Governors to make available to the Institute for Media Development certain materials of the Voice of America; H. Con. Res. 404, calling for the immediate release of Mr. Edmond Pope from prison in the Russian Federation of Humanitarian reasons; S. 1453, amended, Sudan Peace Act; H. Res. 588, amended, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives with respect to violations in Western Europe of provisions of the Helsinki Final Act and other international agreements relating to the freedom of individuals to profess and practice religion or belief; H. Con. Res. 414, amended, relating to the reestablishment of representative government in Afghanistan; H. Con. Res. 410, condemning the assassination of Father John Kaiser and others who worked to promote human rights and justice in the Republic of Kenya; H. Con. Res. 361, amended, commending the Republic of Benin; and H.Con.Res. 382, amended, calling on the government of Azerbaijan to hold free and fair parliamentary elections in November, 2000.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims approved for full Committee action the following: H.R. 5285; amended, Serious Human Rights Abusers Accountability Act of 2000; three original measures amending the Immigration and Nationality Act; and requests for INS reports for private relief bills.

STEENS MOUNTAIN OREGON WILDERNESS ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted by voice vote an open rule providing one hour of general debate on H.R. 4828, to designate wilderness areas and a cooperative management and protection area in the vicinity of Steens Mountain in Harney County, Oregon, equally divided between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Resources. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule makes in order as an original bill for the purpose of amendment the Walden amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in the Congressional Record and numbered 1, which shall be open for amendment at any point. The rule authorizes the Chair to accord priority in recognition to Members

who have pre-printed their amendments in the Congressional Record. The rule allows the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce voting time to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit, with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representative Walden of Oregon.

VA—CHIROPRACTIC SERVICES

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on Chiropractic Services in the VA. Testimony was heard from Frances M. Murphy, M.D., Acting Deputy Under Secretary, Health, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; Rear Adm. Michael L. Cowan, U.S.N., Deputy Executive Director and CEO, TRICARE Management Activity, Office of the Assistant Secretary, Health Affairs, Department of Defense; and public witnesses.

MEDICARE REFINEMENT AND BENEFIT IMPROVEMENT ACT

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Health approved for full Committee action, as amended, the Medicare Refinement and Benefit Improvement Act of 2000.

FLEXIBLE FUNDING FOR CHILD PROTECTION ACT

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Human Resources held a hearing on H.R. 5292, Flexible Funding for Child Protection Act of 2000. Testimony was heard from Kathleen A. Kearney, Secretary, Department of Children and Families, State of Florida; and public witnesses.

BRIEFING GLOBAL HOT SPOTS

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to receive a briefing on Global Hot Spots. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

Joint Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—AGRICULTURE

Conferees met to resolve the differences between the Senate and House passed versions of H.R. 4461, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to call.

APPROPRIATIONS—TRANSPORTATION

Conferees agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate and House passed

versions of H.R. 4475, making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D1013)

S. 1638, to amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to extend the retroactive eligibility dates for financial assistance for higher education for spouses and dependent children of Federal, State, and local law enforcement officers who are killed in the line of duty. Signed October 2, 2000. (P.L. 106-276)

S. 2460, to authorize the payment of rewards to individuals furnishing information relating to persons subject to indictment for serious violations of international humanitarian law in Rwanda. Signed October 2, 2000. (P.L. 106-277)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2000

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: to hold oversight hearings to review the findings and recommendations of the Interagency Commission on Crime and Security in U.S. Seaports, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: to hold hearings to examine health care coverage issues, 9:30 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Indian Affairs: to hold hearings to examine alcohol and law enforcement in Alaska, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to hold closed hearings on pending intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

Committee on Small Business: to hold hearings on U.S. Forest Service issues relating to small business, 9:30 a.m., SR-428A.

House

Committee on Agriculture, hearing to review wildlife risks on federal lands, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Commerce, Subcommittee on Finance and Hazardous Materials, hearing on lost Security Holders: Reuniting Security Holders with their Investments, 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on Safety in Study Abroad Programs, 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, Subcommittee on Civil Service, hearing on Oversight of Wage—Grade Pay in Georgia and Oklahoma, 10 a.m., 2203 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy and Human Resources, hearing on Anti-Drug Media Campaign: Program and Contract Accountability and Administration, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, hearing to review the Policy Blueprint for Approving U.N. Peacekeeping Missions, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Crime, hearing on H.R. 469, Jeremy and Julia's Law, 1:30 p.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, hearing on H.R. 4751, Puerto Rico-United States Bilateral Pact of Non-Territorial Permanent Union and Guaranteed Citizenship Act, 11 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Science, hearing on Intolerance at EPA-Harming People, Harming Science? 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Basic Research, hearing on Benchmarking U.S. Science: What Can It Tell Us? 2:30 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Joint Meetings

Conference: meeting of conferees on H.R. 3244, to combat trafficking of persons, especially into the sex trade, slavery, and slavery-like conditions in the United States and countries around the world through prevention, through prosecution and enforcement against traffickers, and through protection and assistance to victims of trafficking, 3:30 p.m., S-116, Capitol.